

Comprehensive Care for Joint Replacement Model (CJR)

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CJR Overview

- New CMMI program with mandatory participation for CMS-selected hospitals
- Covers discharges grouped under DRGs 469 and 470
- Patients retain freedom of choice to choose services and providers
- Hospitals may engage in gain/risk sharing with other providers and suppliers

CJR Performance Years

Performance Year	Included Episodes
1	Episodes that start on or after 4/1/16 and end on or before 12/31/16
2	Episodes that end between 1/1/17 and 12/31/17, inclusive
3	Episodes that end between 1/1/18 and 12/31/18, inclusive
4	Episodes that end between 1/1/19 and 12/31/19, inclusive
5	Episodes that end between 1/1/20 and 12/31/20, inclusive*

* CJR episodes initiated on or after 10/2/20 would not be included in the program

CJR Mechanics

During the Performance Year:
CMS pays for CJR episode care at current CMS rates

Jan/Feb Following Performance Year:
CMS compares CJR episode care to CJR target prices and reviews hospital quality performance

If aggregate target prices > actual CJR episode spending, Hospital may receive a reconciliation payment from CMS

If aggregate target prices < actual CJR episode spending, Hospital will be required to make an alignment payment to CMS

Hospital may gainshare/recoup a portion of the CMS payment determination from other CJR providers

Provider Collaboration

- Hospital may share reconciliation payment or repayment with other CJR providers and suppliers
- Agreement with collaborators must be in writing and comply with requirements of CJR regulations
- Collaborator assessments are capped at 50% of the Hospital's repayment amount (and no one collaborator may share more than 25%)
- Gainsharing payments are limited to 50% of each collaborator's Medicare billings for CJR services during the performance year

CJR Program Integrity

- CMS and OIG issued a joint waiver for CJR gainsharing
- Collaboration agreements must comply with CJR regulations to be protected under waiver
- Limited beneficiary incentives are allowed to induce or reward behavior related to clinical goals
- Additional Medicare requirements waived to facilitate care coordination and data sharing